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I got it! Lyndsey Yagovane Funderburk, 9, participates in the water balloon toss. Complete Black Gold Jubilee coverage inside.

## Attention crafters

Artists and crafters interested in marketing their products are invited to a workshop on Saturday, April 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the old Glades Central High School library.

The goal of the workshop is to start a work-owned marketing project in the Glades. Call 992-9500 for reservations.

## Main Street Madness is Saturday

Pahokee's annual sidewalk sale, "Main Street Madness" is happening this Saturday, April 26, beginning at 9 a.m. Pahokee Main Street in cooperation with the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring this event in which all of the downtown merchants are participating.

For more information, call the Pahokee Chamber at 924-5579.

## National Day of Prayer is May 1

Thursday, May 1, is the 46th annual National Day of Prayer. Pastors and congregations are invited to join together at Belle Glade City Hall at 12:30 p.m. for a special service.

## Senior Girls Brunch

Glades Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. will host its annual Senior Girls Brunch for all senior girls in Western Palm Beach County at 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 26 at Glade View Elementary School in the cafeteria, 1100 S.W. Avenue G, Belle Glade. The workshops and presentations will focus on financial aid, health, campus issues, and prioritization of goals for academic success.

Senior girls needing additional information should contact Gloria Boldin, chairperson at 924-2390 or Mary Louise Rainey, chapter president at 996-9592.

## New AA group forms

Good News, a new Alcoholics Anonymous group is starting in Pahokee. Meetings are planned for Tuesday and Thursday evening at 7 p.m. Contact Steve at 924-2003 for information on the location.

## Drama "Living On" set for Friday

The AIDS Coalition of the Glades, Inc. and the Glades Central Community High School Thespian Society will present the drama, "Living On" on Friday, April 25, at 6:30 p.m. The event begins with a social hour and tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and children. The drama will be held in the Glades Central Courtyard, 1001 S.W. Avenue M, Belle Glade.

For tickets or information contact Sandra Daniels at 996-1600 or The Comprehensive AIDS Program, 996-7059.

## Gospel Sing set for May

Miracle Temple Ministries is planning a gospel sing for Friday, May 2 at the church, located at 1104 S.W. 16th Street, Belle Glade. Singers from all around the lake will be performing. Pastor Alvin E. Nichols invites everyone to attend.

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## NEWS

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By Brenda Bunting  
Editor

A record low temperature kicked off the day for festival goers at the 19th annual Black Gold Jubilee and near record attendance was seen by the end of the day.

Director of Public Safety Michael Miller said Saturday's Jubilee brought out more people than he has seen since the Jubilee celebrated the World's Largest Salad in the mid-1980s.

"I'd say there were anywhere from 6,500 to 7,000 people there," says Miller. "We were parking cars as far away as Slim's Fish Camp, and we haven't had to do that since we had 10,000 people for the World's Largest Salad," he noted.

Getting across the one-lane wooden bridge spanning the rim canal took up to thirty minutes, but once people got across the bridge, many stayed for the entire day.

"We noticed people came early and it was a late crowd. They didn't seem to want to leave," said Miller.

And why would they want to leave with so much to do? In addition to almost 100 arts & crafts and food booths there was non-stop entertainment and children's activities.

The day started with record attendance at the 5K Walk/Run at 7:30 a.m. Over 275 walkers and runners participated in the event. A parade down Main Street at 10 a.m. featured over 80 units and music by Dennis Lee shared the master of ceremonies duties with Entertainment Chairman Don Fiebis.



THE 1997 HARVEST QUEEN AND HER COURT...Second Runner-up Robin Collier (L) and First Runner-up Tamam Barhoush (R) pause for a photo with Belle Glade's 1997 Harvest Queen, Karen DeCastro. Sponsored by the Belle Glade Lions Club and Palm Beach Community College, Glades Campus, the event was held Friday, April 18 at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center.

SUNPHOTO BY BRENDA

In addition to Lee's performance at 1 p.m. at the Marina, the Glades Day School Glee Club performed at 3 p.m. and the multi-talented Duttons at 5 p.m.

Adults enjoyed a ski show by the Gold Coast

Ski Club and helicopter rides while the children stayed entertained all day with the low-cost or free activities. Many viewed the exceptional photography in the photography contest and artwork by local artists. The day ended with fireworks over the lake.

Jubilee Chair Sue Teets said, "I am so pleased with the enthusiasm and support the Jubilee received from the community. We had exceptional sponsorship from local businesses, and this was the largest crowd I can recall in quite some time."

"Also, the talent and back-up provided by the City of Belle Glade were instrumental in making this a smooth running community event."

## Grand opening held for Everglades Botanical Research Complex

Optical research for Everglades restoration began with the grand opening yesterday of the Everglades Botanical Research Complex, a joint partnership between South Florida Water management District and Florida Atlantic University.

The District's experiments at the new facility will focus on determining the least amount of phosphorus the Everglades can tolerate without environmental damage. In addition, important research on water levels and the hydroperiods will be conducted at this facility.

The 6,500 square-foot complex is a one-of-a-kind facility with a state-of-the-art, computer-controlled environment, with walk-in refrigeration and drying rooms for Everglades-specific experiments. Experiments will focus on the propagation of cattails, sawgrass and other Everglades vegetation in special tanks under varying hydrologic conditions and phosphorus levels. Information gained from the Everglades Botanical Research Complex will be used to operate the constructed wetlands at peak efficiency.

The Everglades Forever Act of 1994 requires the District and the Department of Environmental Protection to perform such experiments. The District is also mandated to construct about 43,000 acres of wetlands to remove nutrients from agricultural runoff before it reaches the Everglades.

The District Governing Board chose the FAU site for the research complex as the most cost-effective location since the District already has an analytical chemistry lab on the campus. Under the terms of the cooperative agreement between FAU and the District, the District pays all but a small portion of the \$195,000 cost of the facility.

The center will eventually revert to FAU at a lease arrangement of \$1 a year to the District. However, District researchers will still be able to conduct experiments at the facility. The District will also be represented on an advisory panel that will govern use of the research facility.



Best Theme Float in the Jubilee Parade went to the Bank of Belle Glade for this colorful entry which reflected the Jubilee theme *Celebration of the American Family*.

SUNPHOTO BY STEPHANIE SCHNEIDER

## Pahokee Main Street receives money from the City to celebrate 75th Anniversary

By Stephanie Schneider  
Sun Reporter

On Wednesday, April 22, Director and Coordinator of Pahokee Main Street, Shirley Jarriel went before Pahokee's City Commission to ask for funds to purchase banners and other items to help celebrate Pahokee's 75th Anniversary.

The commission voted

and approved funding but also asked that Pahokee Main Street not hold off on fund raising.

"I believe that the banners and beautification will let people know that Pahokee is celebrating it's 75th Anniversary and possibly create publicity for our little town by giving more people to it," stated Shirley Jarriel.

Shirley also took the time to invite all the City Commission members, residents of Pahokee, Belle Glade, South Bay, and Canal Point, to the Main Street Madness Sidewalk Sale this Saturday, April 26.

Pahokee Main Street was given a \$1500 donation by the City.

## Melaleucas to meet their match in tiny weevil

A tree that threatens 7.5 million acres of Florida's historic Everglades may be about to meet its match in a tiny insect, the weevil *Cryoxys vitiosa*.

Several hundred of the weevils will be released during a special ceremony at 11 a.m. Saturday, April 26, in West Broward County. The site: the Everglades Buffer Strip, next to Holiday Park

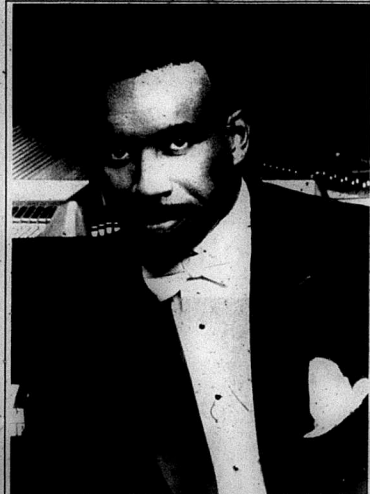
(at the intersection of Griffin Road and Highway 27). The insects' mission: the first biological control for melaleuca, a non-native tree that displaces indigenous plant life and disrupts natural ecosystems. Both melaleuca and *O. vitiosa* are native to Australia.

The release is the result of five years of research at U.S. Department of Agriculture

laboratories in Australia and Ft. Lauderdale.

Scientists with USDA's Agricultural Research Service have confirmed *O. vitiosa* is a safe and effective biological control for melaleuca.

The insect complements chemical controls because it reaches spots missed by herbicides and disrupts the plant's life cycle.



**PIANIST LEON BATES** will perform Friday, April 25 at 7:30 p.m. at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center. For ticket information call Leigh Woodham at 992-6160.

## Pahokee Church of the Nazarene announces dedication of new addition

Sunday, April 27 at 11 a.m., members and friends will gather to dedicate the new fellowship hall at the Pahokee Church of the Nazarene. The hall will be known as Holt Hall in memory of the late Collie Holt and in honor of his widow, Wynell. Pastor Dever says the new addition will add much to the social and spiritual life of the growing congregation. The building was constructed by local contractors and general contractor Earl Vann.

Following the dedication service in the sanctuary, a covered dish, carry-in lunch will be served in Holt Hall. Rev. Byron Schortinghouse, district superintendent of South Florida Churches of the Nazarene will be the main speaker with the choir, quartet and special music.

Everyone is invited to attend.

## Western Palm Beach County Mental Health Clinic announces the appointment of four new members to its Board of Directors

Esther Berry of South Bay, Edna Garcia, M.D. of Pahokee, Tommie Gilbert of Belle Glade and James Houston of Belle Glade are the four newest members elected to Western Palm Beach County Mental Health board of directors.

"These individuals make a great addition to our board and increase its involvement in the

agencies growth and development," stated Joseph Amato, executive director of Western Palm Beach County Mental Health Clinic. The officers and other board members are Ken Schenck, President, Mayra Zeno, M.D., Vice President, Irene Clay, Treasurer, Dorothy Wilford, Secretary, Donia Roberts and Elizabeth Johnson.

## Results given for children's events at Saturday's Black Gold Jubilee

Kim Korbly, activities coordinator for some of the children's events at Saturday's Black Gold Jubilee, announces the winners for various events.

**Junior Pie Eating Contest**  
3-5 years old  
First place: Timothy Norwood  
Second place: Ryan Hughes  
Third place: Titus Nolan and Matthew Korbly

**Pie Eating Contest**  
6-11 years old  
First place: Joey Lopez

Second place: Brian Sharlate  
Third place: Courtney Rudd

**Baby Crawl Contest**  
First place: Kayla Schoenfeld, 9 months old  
Second place: Maisie Perryman, 7 months old  
Third place: Nicholas Mathis, 10 months old

**Water Balloon Toss**  
First place: James Lee and Brandon Matthews  
Second place: Jenin Halum and Stephanie Tyson  
Third place: Kristen Johnson and Leanna Robinson

## Winners of Jubilee Parade

Jubilee Parade co-chairs Barbara Milligan and Cheryl Stein announce the winners of the 19th Annual Black Gold Jubilee Parade.

Best Marching Unit - Wellington Twirlers  
Best Group or Organization - Smokey the Bear  
Best Business Entry - Mobile Music DJ  
Best Overall Entry - First Baptist Church Team Kids  
Best Theme - Bank of Belle Glade

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**GET A LOOK AT THESE GUYS!** The Power Team, a group of world class athletes, will be performing in several schools in the area and at Glades Central Community High School at 7 p.m., May 7-11.

## Power Team coming May 7-11

John Jacobs and the Power Team, a group of world class athletes, perform feats of strength such as blowing up hot water bottles until they explode, snapping out of two pairs of steel handcuffs, lifting huge telephone poles (on fire) over their heads, bending steel bars in their teeth, running through ten feet of ice with their skulls, ripping phone books in half and even lying between a bed of 4,000 sharp nails with another man on top bench pressing 400 pounds.

John Jacobs, leader and founder of the Power Team stands 6'4" and weighs 320 pounds. He has 23" biceps and measures almost 5' around his chest. He can curl 350 pounds, bench press 600-pounds, bend 3" of steel in his teeth, rip telephone books in half and break 40 baseball bats one after another.

Eddie Dalcour is a two-time California Body Building Champion and runner up in the Mr. America contest. His nickname is the "Gripper," because over 50 men, 25 pulling on each arm, cannot break his grip.

Smiley Elmore was 11 years old when he saw the Power Team on television. He never dreamed that one day he, too, would be amazing audiences with his ability to burst through 5" of concrete with one blow of his skull. He played for the University of Missouri

where he set many records as a running back and was runner up for the Heisman trophy.

Brad Tuttle stands 6'4" and weighs 260 pounds. He is in the Navy Special Forces and the former Natural Powerlifting Champion. He can run through a wall of ice with lightning speed.

James Henderson, a native of Miami and new to the team, has been named the World's Strongest Man for the past three years.

These giant men will be performing nightly at 7 p.m. at the new Glades Central High School gym on State Road 715 in Belle Glade, May 7 - 11. A donation of \$2 at the door is requested.

## Election reforms and health care addressed by the House last week

Representative Addie L. Greene (D) and her fellow Democrats saw passage last week of an election reform measure they have been fighting for since the first day of Session...the limitation of independent expenditures.

This type of campaign contribution allows outside interests to dump big money into last-minute, nasty attacks on candidates through mail and broadcast advertisements. A group headed by U.S. Senator Alfonse D'Amato of New York piled more than \$726,000 into state house and senate races in the last week of the 1996 election.

These independent expendi-

tures also provide a loophole in the law that limits contributions by political parties to individual candidates to \$50,000. That limit of \$50,000 can be skirted by political parties sending massive amounts of money to its affiliates at the national or local levels which then make last-minute independent expenditures on behalf of candidates.

On a close vote of 64 to 50, the House voted to repeal a law that levels the playing field for candidates in gubernatorial and Cabinet-level races. The public campaign financing law helps candidates who voluntarily cap their spending in gubernatorial

races at \$5 million, and at \$2 million in Cabinet races. Candidates who agree to those caps get matching funds to level the playing field when their opponents surpass those spending limits.

The government watchdog group, Common Cause, reports that in Florida's 1990 gubernatorial election, the candidates spent 360% more than those in 1980. Proponents of Florida's public campaign finance law saw the measure a way to lower candidates' dependence on special interest for the big money needed to run statewide races and get more regular Floridians involved in campaigns.

Four bills aimed at protecting health care for women passed the House Health Care Services Committee this week after being rolled into one bill. This legislation ensures women receive adequate coverage and care in the treatment of breast cancer, particularly treatment resulting in a mastectomy.

Representative Addie Greene is especially concerned about the phenomenon of "drive-through" mastectomies in which women are sent home too quickly after major surgery. The legislation is sponsored by Reps. Randy Mackey (D-Lake City), Sandy Munman (D-Tampa), Durrell Peaden (D-Crostview) and Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D-Davie).



**Riders In The Sky**  
Saturday, May 3, 1997  
7:30 P.M.  
\$15 Adults • \$5 Students

"The Cowboy Way" is the theme of the popular Western group Riders In The Sky. They are well known for their unique blend of music, comedy and showmanship and their show is a celebration of the cowboy way of life. Regularly featured on television (Nashville Network, The Grand Ole Opry, Hee Haw and specials on CBS, NBC and PBS), radio (A Prairie Home Companion, National Public Radio, The Grand Ole Opry), films ("Wild Horses" with Kenny Rogers) and records, Riders In The Sky are brilliant performers of country-western music.

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# Medical Services

## Emergency Childbirth Procedures

By Paula Swaford, R.N.

It seems to be that at least once a week we hear the latest "story" on TV about someone delivering a baby in an emergency situation, somewhere around the country. Did you ever imagine that that would ever be you?

Would you be prepared? Would you have any earthly idea what to do and how to go about doing it? Tiny newborns are very intimidating to large human beings. Somehow we become all thumbs when trying to hold them. It's humorous to watch most new fathers try to figure just the position to place their arms in to hold this tiny piece of life.

If you are ever placed in the

Paula Swaford, RN

position to assist with an emergency delivery, here are a few things you might remember. Of course, in the adrenaline rush of the moment, you may forget everything you ever thought you knew, but his hope

not.

Hopefully, you will be near a phone where you can call for assistance. The operators at 911 can usually talk you through the most difficult parts. But they may not be available and you may be in an isolated area, all on your own.

It's important to know how far apart the contractions are and if this is the first delivery for this mother to be. If possible, gather newspapers, clean towels or sheets, or material of any kind to wrap the baby in after the birth; to protect it from cooling off. It is important for newborns to stay warm, as heat loss can be very dangerous.

When you see that the baby's

head is crowning or appearing in the vaginal opening, place newspapers or a blanket, if available, under the woman's buttocks. Instruct her to pant and when she feels the urge to push, believe me you won't have to tell her, she will do it on her own.

As the head emerges, place your hands above and below the head to stabilize it, as sometimes the delivery can be explosive. If the umbilical cord is around the baby's neck or shoulders, gently unwrap it. The shoulders will be the next to deliver, usually one at a time.

The baby will be slippery, so use gentle but firm pressure. Once the shoulders are out, the

rest of the baby will follow quickly. If possible, look at a watch to note the time of delivery and the approximate amount of blood loss. Lower the baby's head and wipe out his mouth and nose using a finger wrapped in clean cloth. If he hasn't begun to breathe, rub his back or tap the soles of his feet to stimulate breathing.

When he begins to cry, dry him thoroughly and wrap him to prevent heat loss. Give the baby to the mother. If she plans to breast feed the baby, she could start now, which will help the uterus to contract and expel the placenta. When the placenta is expelled, tie the cord with a clean shoestring or

cord and it can be cut later on at the hospital.

If emergency help has not arrived, help the mother to massage her uterus gently but firmly for a few minutes, as this will help it to contract and control bleeding. When the paramedics arrive, explain to them what happened, and how the mother and baby responded. They will take over from there on and give you a chance to catch your breath.

Congratulations! You did it! It wasn't that difficult, was it? At least you were prepared and kind of knew what to do.

Until next time, stay healthy and stay informed.

## National Infant Immunization Week

Health officials confirmed as of April 1, 1997, that 98.3% of high risk seven month old children have begun their immunization schedule. High risk is determined by anyone of the following factors:

**Mothers are less than 19 years of age, not married, 11th grade or less education level, three or more children, or prenatal care is not begun until the 3rd trimester**

Public and private health professionals in Florida have succeeded in fully immunizing 81.6 percent of the state's two year old population in 1996 - the highest coverage rate ever reported. Department of Health Secretary James T. Howell announced today as he proclaimed April 26, 1997 as National Infant Immunization Week in

Florida.

"Our goal is that by the year 2000, at least 90 percent of infants and children up to age two are immunized against common childhood diseases," Howell said. "Children need to begin their basic series of immunization at birth or two months of age and complete the series by age two."

Despite the increased childhood immunization rate, Howell said that almost 20 percent of Florida's children are still not properly immunized against 10 childhood diseases and are at risk from serious illness, hospitalization, and even death.

"Immunization is one of the most basic preventive health care services, yet many children do not receive their shots when needed and this leaves them unprotected from serious diseases that can be prevented," said Howell.

National Infant Immunization Week runs from April 20 through April 26 and stresses the importance of children receiving their immunizations. The week will consist of various community outreach programs designed to inform all Floridians of the importance of childhood immunizations.

Howell said children need to begin their basic series of immunizations at age two months and complete the series by two years of age. The childhood diseases covered by childhood diseases are measles, mumps, rubella, diphtheria, pertussis (whooping cough), tetanus, polio, Haemophilus influenza type b, hepatitis b, and chicken pox.

"Many parents and guardians mistakenly believe these diseases are no longer a threat to their children

because we have not had a

major outbreak or epidemic in several years," Howell said. "Nothing could be further from the truth."

The last major epidemic occurred between 1989 and 1991 when 55,000 children contracted measles nationwide. That epidemic led to 11,000 children requiring hospitalization and caused the death of 136 children. In Florida, more than 1,110 cases of measles and two deaths were reported.

Because of a successful, intensified effort to increase pre-school and school aged children, the incidence rate for preventable childhood diseases has plummeted. However, diseases still remain and that means the threat of illness remains, said Howell.

One method the Department of Health is using to increase immunization rates is identify-

ing "pockets of need."

"Pockets of need" are areas where children are under-immunized because of social, economic, and/or educational status. Because children in these categories are traditionally under-immunized, they are the ones that require an intensive effort by public and private health care professionals to identify and keep them on their immunization schedule.

"One reason the 'pockets of need' children are under-immunized is because parents often feel they cannot afford immunization as a result of not having insurance or because their insurance does not cover immunizations," said Howell.

One federally funded program is removing the cost barrier and proving to be very successful in increasing childhood

immunization rates.

The Vaccines For Children program implemented October 1994, make vaccines available free of charge to private physicians who immunize eligible children in their offices instead of referring them to other locations. These referrals often require parent to take time off work and make a second trip to another health care facility, something many of them cannot afford to do.

In Florida, more than 4,000 health care providers at nearly 1,700 health care facilities have enrolled in the Vaccine For Children program. Children eligible for free vaccines are those without health insurance, those with insurance but whose policy does not cover immunizations, Native Americans, Alaskan Natives, and Medicaid clients

## Unseen Enemy Blamed for Asthma and Allergy Rate

You would be amazed at what you would find when examining your bed with a magnifying glass. It has been estimated that up to 1 million dust mites live in a single pillow. The researchers at the Ohio State University Department of Anthropology say that the number may be 10 million in the average double bed. This warmer and humid weather of spring and summer heightens the breeding of these microscopic mites.

"You may be reacting to dust mites and not even know it. Have you ever woken up with a pounding headache and a stuffy nose. Do you ever wake up tired in the morning even though you know you have gotten enough sleep? When you wake up, do you have a sore throat or aching joints? Those who sleep with mites can get very sick," says Dr. Thomas Platts-Mills, head of the division of Allergies and clinical Immunology at the University of Virginia.

Seventy-five million Americans are allergic to dust mite droppings. Average dust

mites leave 20 droppings behind a day. It is the dropping that are causing the asthmatic and allergic reactions. Dust mite droppings have been called the single most allergic substance in the house. Allergy shots, once thought to be a good treatment are no longer favored according to the latest New England Journal of Medicine.

Center for Disease Control says that asthma and death of asthma has risen 65% since 1982. There are 14.6 million asthmatics in this country today. Of those, 4.8 million are children. Today asthma has become the leading chronic illness in children under 18 years old. In only ten years asthmatic cases have jumped from 40 to 63 per 1000 children. Yet at the same time, the substances that are in the air that trigger asthma, such as automobile pollutants, have increased. Dr. Michael Blazek of the University of Tennessee, reports from an English study that children who are exposed at an early age to high concentrations of dust mites are five

times more likely to develop asthma.

Dust Mites are only one of the environmental causes of asthma and other respiratory problems. The American Lung Association says that more people are killed every year from particle pollution, including smog, than were killed during the entire Vietnam War.

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Our human body has a natural defensive system that manufactures a special sulfur compound that will attach itself to that attacking toxin.

Every time our body removes this invading toxin it loses that special sulfur compound forever. "The problem is America's diet," says Dr. Earl Mindell, Ph.D., the number one nutritionist in America and the world's leading expert on vitamins, dietary supplements and nutrition and the author of the Vitamin Bible. Methylsulfonylmethane (MSM) is the vital dietary source of sulfur that is found in our living tissues. This good sulfur is found in raw fruits and vegetables, seafood, non-fermented milk and raw meat. "However, due to the methods we prepare our food today, the MSM evaporates by the time we consume it," says Dr. Mindell.

"We just don't take in enough of high quality good sulfur," states Dr. Mindell. MSM has received 16 US patents. The patents explicitly state that "too low of body concentration of MSM adverse physical and

psychological stress, tissue and organ malfunction, fatigue and increase susceptibility to disease." Furthermore, it concludes that there is a direct link between our MSM levels and resistance to allergies."

Years of clinical evidence with cases of allergies reported substantial to complete relief from symptoms of allergies to things as diverse as pollens, wool, animal hair, feathers and even dust mites when individuals take MSM supplements. MSM has been documented in a number of studies that indi-

viduals who were not able to eliminate their asthma or allergy medication were able to severely reduce the dosage. Also, people on MSM dietary supplements have greatly decreased the use of antihistamine injections. MSM also helps to soften the tissue in the lungs and can help emphysema, along with helping individuals reduce back pain as reported in the New York Academy of Science. For additional information on MSM, call (800)525-7710.

## VNA Withdraws from Three Local Programs

In an effort to effectively allocate resources, the Visiting Nurse Association of Palm Beach County is phasing out the services it provides for the programs currently serving the disabled adults, pregnant teenagers and frail, elderly people.

The programs, which assist people throughout Palm Beach County, include: Community Care for the Elderly and Community Care for Disabled Adults, funded partially by the Department of Children and Family Services and the Multidisciplinary Pregnancy Intervention Program for teens, funded partially by the Children's Services Council. "Each year, the cost of providing these services has exceeded the funding," said VNA President Ann Zielski.

"Over the years, the amount of money the VNA has contributed toward the operation of these programs has increased," Zielski said. "Although we consider the programs important, our board of directors decided to stop providing these services because

of the funding shortfall."

While the VNA will no longer provide these programs, Zielski said the agency has no intention of leaving patients currently receiving services in the lurch. She said the VNA will assist in transitioning the services to another provider.

"This decision will not affect the home health services we already provide through other VNA programs," Zielski said. "We will continue to provide home health care to all people in our community as far as our resources will allow."

The VNA is reimbursed for

home health care by Medicare, Medicaid, private insurance and managed care companies. In addition, in 1996, the VNA provided over \$500,000 in charity care to people in Palm Beach and Broward counties. Donations from community agencies, such as the United Way, as well as individual donors, help offset this charity care, but there remains a deficit which must be absorbed by the VNA. Zielski said this forces the VNA to continually evaluate all of its programs to ensure the impact is compar-

able with the expense.

"The VNA is not alone in taking a closer look at services," Zielski said. "The rapidly changing health care market is forcing many organizations to reevaluate their traditional way of delivering needed services." Founded in 1945, the VNA is a non-profit home health agency governed by a local volunteer board of directors. The agency provides in-home nursing, therapy, home health aides and wellness programs in Palm Beach and Broward counties.



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## Letters to the editor

Dear Editor:

I attended Pahokee High School in the '60s. I know there are differences of opinion regarding the disposition of the old Pahokee High School building.

It is an architecturally-unique building and certainly a historic site in Pahokee. It is a place that holds special memories for those who walked its halls, many of whom are still in or near the Glades.

It is my understanding that there is a group of people who are proposing to turn the old school into a memorial building and I agree that it is well worth the effort to try to preserve it.

Sincerely,

Al Morrell  
Clewiston

Dear Editor:

The Glades ARC (Association for Retarded Citizens) is pleased that the Black Gold Children's Fishing Tournament was so successful.

We were particularly impressed with both the turnout (considering the monsoon conditions) and the efforts made by the Belle Glade Fire Department to encourage parents to patronize our food concession.

The fire department's hard work and preparation is to be commended and one of the rewards was so many happy faces.

The ARC board members enjoyed participating and we look forward to doing this again next year.

Sincerely,

Linda Cone, Chair  
Ways & Means Committee

## Soaring divorce rates should concern all Floridians

By Mark W. Merrill

President of Florida Family Council  
When Hollywood actor Charlie Sheen filed for divorce after a five-month marriage to Donna Peele, he declared, "I couldn't breathe, I had to come up for air." He went on to explain, on *Entertainment Tonight*, why he elected to choose divorce: "You buy a car, it breaks down, what are you gonna do?"

Few would argue that divorce is sometimes justified. But sadly, divorce has become all too common even outside of Hollywood. According to 1994 data, Florida now has the 8th highest divorce rate in the country. And the most frightening reality is that all too often marriages end because, like Charlie Sheen, people just want a change.

Part of the reason for the rise in these so-called "no-fault" divorces is an underlying social attitude that encourages "freedom" and entices people to drop responsibilities. But public policy has also played a role in the rising divorce rate, and a share of the blame must be placed at the feet of no-fault divorce laws. No-fault divorce has created a bizarre situation where it's now easier to leave a spouse of 20 years than it is to break a car lease.

Soaring divorce rates should be of concern to all Floridians because divorce not only causes suffering for those affected, but also damages our communities. Consider the effect on our kids who sometimes are left to wonder if perhaps the "fault" is somewhere. Compared to

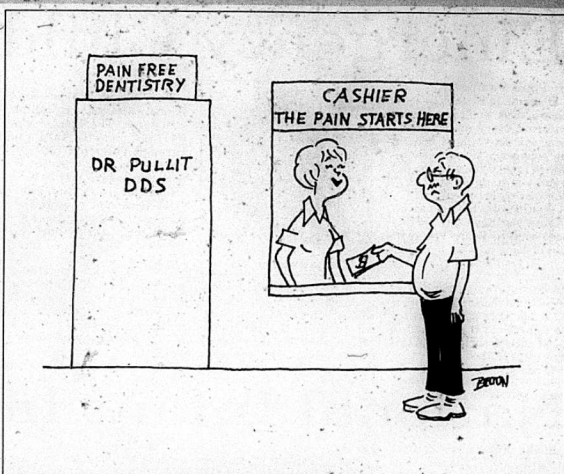
children of intact families, children of divorce are much more likely to drop out of school, engage in pre-marital sex, become pregnant outside of marriage, and commit crimes.

But children aren't the only victims of divorce. No-fault divorce also adds to the ranks of the one group most plagued by poverty - single mothers. The intact family is the best department of health, education and welfare we can ever hope for. But when it dissolves, the economic burdens can become intense, particularly on mothers.

Since 1971, Florida has been guided by a no-fault divorce law. However, many are now questioning the effects of such laws and are suggesting that we open a debate in this state to consider what can be done to make divorce less common.

No one is suggesting we force people to stay in abusive marriages. In some circumstances, a quick escape route is necessary for the protection of a spouse and children. But growing public opinion nationwide reveals that a discussion on divorce reform is in order. A survey by *USA Today* found that over half of all adults think divorce should be harder to obtain, and three-quarters of the children agree.

Just because a marriage breaks down, needs repairs, or perhaps a tune-up, doesn't mean it should be ushered to the used car lot and replaced with a new model. It hurts too many people, too many children, and it dramatically affects the quality of life in our communities.



## Florida Sheriffs Association opposes early release of violent criminals

Sheriff Geoff Monge, president of the Florida Sheriffs Association, speaking recently on behalf of the 67 Sheriffs of Florida, expressed outrage at the early release of hundreds of dangerous felons from the state's prisons back into Florida's communities.

"Legal mechanisms were passed by the Florida legislature over a decade ago, programs intentionally designed to allow "early release" of state inmates for the sole purpose of alleviating prison overcrowding," Monge noted, "but it was a misguided plan which favored immediate savings of tax dollars over concern for the everyday safety of our law-abiding citizens."

While Florida's Sheriffs join all Floridians in being concerned that prisoners continue to be released early, we recognize and applaud the work of the Florida legislature over the past four years in their attempts to remedy the problems which have led to this early release concern.

Funding has been provided for thousands of additional prison beds to accommodate the number of prisoners sentenced to state prison. Under the leadership of Governor Lawton Chiles, the Department of Corrections has built the beds and now has several thousand empty beds available.

Also, during the 1995 legislative session, the "85%" law passed, meaning that all felons sentenced after October 1, 1995, must serve 85% of their court imposed sentence.

The Sheriffs continue to support the Stop Turning Out Prisoners (STOP) movement, an initiative which is attempting to place a constitutional amendment on the ballot to make the 85% law a constitutional requirement.

The Sheriffs of Florida also believe we have one more vestige of the "old system" that the legislature must address - that of "Sentencing Guidelines."

The Sheriffs are joining with the Florida Police Chiefs, our 20 State Attorneys, and the Florida legislature to abolish Sentencing Guidelines, a release mechanism initiated in 1983 which brought us to the situation we find ourselves in today.

Originally touted as a way to keep violent offenders in state prison for a longer period of time, Sentencing Guidelines have served to keep thousands of felons from ever entering the state prison system at all. Sentencing Guidelines set thresholds for prison admission so high that a felon who "only" breaks into homes or steals cars for a living can barely gain admission into the prison system.

A bill that would abolish Sentencing Guidelines, sponsored by Rep. Carlos Valdes and Sen. Jim Horne is now being considered by the Florida legislature.

"We need your help and we respectfully urge all citizens to call their state legislators and senators, and urge them to join with the Florida Sheriffs Association, the Florida Police Chiefs Association and the Florida Prosecuting Attorneys in support of the abolition of Sentencing Guidelines," Sheriff Monge said.

"Florida is a safer place now than it was just a few years ago. With the help of the legislature, and the positive steps they have taken, we have seen a downturn in crime in Florida for the first time in years," the Sheriff further noted.

## UF Researcher: Future health care may be modeled after ATM machines

By Cathy Keen

University of Florida News  
A byte may be better than a touch for some types of health care, says a University of Florida researcher who has shown that cyberspace may soon take the place of personal visits to the doctor.

Images sent by computer networks such as the Internet can bring quicker decisions on how to care for people in rural areas, inner cities, prisons, nursing homes or on the battlefield, said Thomas Bradicich, who did the information systems research to complete his doctoral degree. His study shows such diagnoses can be nearly as accurate as those rendered in the doctor's office.

"If your family doctor discovers a suspicious mole during a routine check-up and you happen to live in a rural area, it

now may mean having to take a day off work, with lost wages, to travel to see a dermatologist," said Bradicich, who received his doctorate in urban and regional planning. "With this solution, the family doctor may choose to capture a digital image of the mole and transmit it electronically to the specialist for a diagnosis."

Just as automatic teller machines eliminate face-to-face encounters with bank employees and online shopping replaces shopping mall trips, future health care may allow some diagnostic medical services, such as dermatology and ophthalmology, to be done at more economical or convenient times of the day or night, he said.

"Bradicich's research has demonstrated that we can use the information superhighway

to give many more patients access to world-class medical specialists," said Dr. John Cuddeback, vice president of health policy at UF's Shands Hospital, who helped supervise Bradicich's research. "New imaging and communication technologies provide a real win-win: better quality health care that actually costs less and is more convenient for the patient."

Using multimedia computer systems and digital cameras, Bradicich captured images of 41 skin lesions on patients and presented them, along with an audio and text report of the patient's medical background, to dermatologists at UF Shands Skin and Cancer Clinic. The dermatologists were able to match the in-person diagnosis 75 to 85 percent of

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**DUDA IS FAMILY...**Carrying out the theme, *Celebration of the American Family*, the Duda float in Saturday's Jubilee parade featured members of the A. Duda family. The local growers produce much of the fresh vegetables grown in the area, including lettuce varieties, radishes, corn and other produce.

## Belle Glade Police Dept. arrest blotter

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 719 crime complaints and worked 15 crime scenes the week of April 14-20. Those arrested included:

**April 14 - Tyjuan Shannhouse, 18, burglary;** Gwendolyn Williams, 39, domestic battery.

**April 15 - Lorraine Johnson, 31, felony theft and possession of narcotic paraphernalia;** Juvenile, 15, grand theft auto and petty theft.

**April 16 - Arnold Laurent, 41, trespassing after warning;** Juvenile, 17, aggravated assault; Charles Simmons, 18, trespassing in a con-

veyance; Michael Police, 20, grand theft and trespass in a conveyance.

**April 17 - Rosendo Castillo, 25, domestic battery;** Octavia Curtis, 23, child abuse.

**April 18 - Juvenile, 15, retail theft.**

**April 19 - Bennie James Clayton, 39, warrant arrest;** Gary Johnson, 37, domestic battery; Levon Williams, 42, two counts of contempt of court; Salvador Romero, 36, disorderly intoxication; Jesus Garcia, 29, disorderly intoxication; Jacinto Bonilla, 59, disorderly intoxication.

**April 20 - Thomas Andrew Alston, 19, driving under the influence and property damage;** Jody Don Hartwick, 26, affray; Thomas Andrew Alston, 19, leaving the scene of an accident with property damage; Jimmy Singleton, 43, trafficking in cocaine; Wanda Gray, 23, aggravated child abuse.

The police news in this newspaper lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

## Crime Stoppers

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help locate Evans Allumme, who is wanted for failure to appear on charges of aggravated battery with a deadly weapon.

He is 5'8" tall and weighs 145 pounds. His last known address was 4811 Pointsettia, #C, West Palm Beach. He has black hair and brown eyes. His date of birth is January

13, 1968. His Social Security number is 590-19-6763 and his last occupation is unknown. His warrant was active as of April 15, 1997.

If you know the whereabouts of Evans Allumme, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477.

You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

## Pahokee Police Dept. arrest blotter

The Pahokee Police Department made 6 arrests the week of April 14-20. Those arrested included:

**April 14 - Tashonda D. Hendrix, 22, battery on a police officer, assault on a police officer and obstructing an officer without violence;** Roy Lee Houston, 18, principal in first degree burglary auto; Juvenile, 16, attempted auto burglary.

**April 15 - Lavaris Brown, 21, warrant for grand theft auto, possession of burglary tools and criminal mischief;** Calvin Bernard Jones, 17, warrant for grand theft auto.

**April 16 - Chris Cunningham, 52, warrant**

for simple assault; Vitchell Newkirk, 31, warrant for aggravated battery; William Lynn Wolf, 18, warrant for second degree arson; Juan Martinez, 20, warrant for contempt of court.

**April 17 - No arrests made.**

**April 18 - Esteban Hannah, 23, warrant for violation of probation.**

**April 19 - Louis Roy Barnes, Jr., 22, aggravated domestic battery;** Samuel Nelson, 30, warrant for failure to appear.

**April 20 - No arrests made.**

## Area-wide revival crusade to begin May 4

Pastor James Brewer of Good Shepherd Church of God in Pahokee announces an area-wide revival crusade to begin Sunday, May 4. Guest speaker is William A. Lee, Jr., national evangelist with the Churches of God headquartered in Cleveland, Tennessee.

Lee is a graduate of Lee College and has completed work toward his Master's Degree at Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He is a featured camp meeting and conference speaker.

The Good Shepherd Church family invites the public to

attend services which will be held on Sunday at 10:45 a.m. and at 6 p.m. and Monday through Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. each evening. A nursery will be provided for small children.

The church is located at 1800 Bacora Point Road in Pahokee.

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the time," he said.

Adept use of shadows and multiple angles could increase accuracy, Bradich said, and would help compensate for the inability to touch the tumor or gauge its height.

"Clearly, the lack of a third dimension accounts for some loss of precision, but experienced specialists are achieving high rates of accuracy and the practice is currently being used in the early stages at several clinical and research facilities," Bradich said. "Where there is no other alternative for the patient, it has significant potential."

Soldiers in combat zones overseas could have images of their wounds transmitted back to the States; bedridden patients in nursing homes could have visiting nurses capture their images; and the

inner-city poor with limited transportation options would not have to lose pay by missing work to visit a specialist, he said.

In addition, taxpayers would save money because prison guards and escort services no longer would have to accompany inmates on doctor's visits, Bradich said. "There is also the risk of escape, which makes inmates generally unwelcome at doctors' offices," he said. "This is a problem that will get worse, as Florida's inmate population is forecast to grow substantially."

Although the technology may be applied to medical specialties that are highly visual, dermatology is particularly well-suited because some areas in the United States are hundreds of miles away from a dermatologist, Bradich said.

According to recent statistics from the American Academy of Dermatology, six states have fewer than 20 dermatologists and Alaska and Wyoming have four and seven, respectively.

At the same time, skin cancer has increased during the past decade, Bradich said. Some deaths from melanoma, a lethal form of skin cancer, have opened because patients delayed seeking medical care, he said.

"The big question is, can we deliver health care in cyberspace without the patient being physically present with the doctor?" Bradich said. "Eliminating time and place dependencies with health care - just as we've done in banking, shopping and other realms of American life - allows us to do that and offers tremendous opportunities to help people."



## Free Health Screening

To celebrate Nurses' Week, The nurses of Glades General Hospital invite the public to a free Health Screening.

The event will be Tuesday, May 6 from 8:30 to 10:30 a.m. Nurses are offering free blood sugar tests, blood pressure checks and educational materials will be available. Those citizens interested in the blood sugar test should remember not to eat or drink anything after midnight before taking the test that morning.

No appointments are necessary. Contact Michele Young, RN, Nurses Week Coordinator at 924-9643 if you need additional information.

Rosenwald to present school improvement plan  
Rosenwald Elementary School's Advisory Council will present the school's improvement plan for 1997-98 on April 29 at 6:30 p.m. in the school's cafeteria.

This presentation is made to inform the community of the school's upcoming plan for fiscal year 1998. Parents and members of the community are urged to attend this meeting. For more information, call 993-4058.

Baha'i Institute offers series of discussions  
The Magdalene Carney Baha'i Institute is offering a series of discussion for and about women. The next discussion is Saturday, May 3 at 3 p.m. and the topic will be parenting. For additional information call Elinor Walker at 996-1959.

Bacora Point Road, Pahokee.

## Recreation Department offering fitness classes

The City of Belle Glade Parks and Recreation Department is offering fitness classes to the public.

"Fitness by Michele" will be offered at the Belle Glade Municipal Civic Center on Monday and Wednesday evenings. The first class on Monday night, titled "Basic Fitness" runs from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. and the second class, "Stompin' Step" is from 6:15 to 7 p.m.

Wednesday's classes run the same time with the first class stressing non-aerobic strength and toning for all fitness levels and the second class offering interval aerobics. Instructor is Michele Young, RN. She is certified by the American Council on Exercise and the American Association of Fitness and Aerobics. There is a \$2 fee per night for one or both classes. Steps and weights are provided.

Children welcome  
Lutheran Ministries of Florida, PEPP Head Start, is recruiting and accepting applications for three and four year old children.

All are welcome, including children with disabilities and there are no fees. The center is located at 200 S.W. 9th Street, Belle Glade.

Recovery Group meets at Good Shepherd  
A Christ-centered recovery group meets every Monday evening at the Good Shepherd Church of God in Pahokee. Meetings are at 7:30 p.m. and the public is welcome. The church is located at 1800, Bacora Point Road, Pahokee.

For more information, call 996-1959.

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## SCHOOL NEWS &amp; EDUCATION

Glades Day School  
Gator Tales

The Month of April is coming to a close and so is the 1996/97 sports season at Glades Day School. The baseball, softball, golf and tennis teams will play their last games of the regular season this week and then all four sports will participate in district tournaments next week. The softball tournaments will be at Ft. Lauderdale Westminster, baseball at Moore Haven, tennis at Lawnwood Stadium in Ft. Pierce, and golf will be in Boca Raton. Come on out and support the teams!

We tip our hats to the Gator Glee Club students for their performance at the Black Gold Jubilee last Saturday. Although there were some technical problems with the sound, the members pulled off another great show and left the audience wanting more. More is what you will get if you attend the Gator Glee Club and Junior Glee Club's Spring Concert, "Believe in the Music," at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center Tuesday,

April 29. Tickets for the one night performance are \$5 and are available from Glee Club sponsor Mrs. Lynn Perenezny (996-6769). Show time is 7 p.m.

The Junior Class is busy these weeks with workshops for the Junior/Senior Prom that will be held Friday, May 2, at the Belle Glade Elks Club. Staying with the tradition, they are keeping the theme of Prom a secret, but judging by all the work that's going on, we're sure it's going to be another great success!

One thing different about this year's event is that the dance and the "After Prom Party" will be held in the same location. Instead of leaving the Prom, students are encouraged to stay for the games that will be played throughout the night. Those who stay until 2 p.m. will be eligible for prize drawings such as \$300 cash and two American Airline tickets to New York City. That should be an incentive to stay! A reminder to juniors and seniors going to the prom - you



need to sign up in the high school office along with your date's name. If your date does not attend GDS, you must bring a photo I.D. to the high school office showing your date's proof of age by Friday, May 2. The age limit is 10th grade through 20 years old.

GDS congratulates Karen DeCastro, who was crowned Harvest Queen for 1997 at the Black Gold Jubilee's pageant Friday, April 18. A senior at Glades Day School, Karen was also crowned

Homecoming Queen, and is a finalist in Florida's Homecoming Queen competition. Captain of the varsity football cheerleaders, she is also co-editor-in-chief of the '97 Gator Yearbook, Secretary of the Student Council and National Honor Society. Congratulations, Karen!

Movies from this event are given to help people who are HIV positive and are referred to the organization by the Comprehensive AIDS Program of Belle Glade.

For further information, you may contact Sandra Daniel at 996-6193 or Mary Kannel at 996-7059.

## Gove Elementary School Honor Roll

## First Grade

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Jessica Bryant  
Vionni Brown  
Christopher Carden  
Jeanie Castro  
Micaela Cayson  
Judy Chancey  
Kayla Collie  
Jennifer Curriel  
Alejandra Delgado  
Richard Johnson  
Oscar Martinez  
Erin McCarthy  
Kathryn Miller  
Aaron Navarro  
Jaime Oliva  
Cindy Orsenigo  
Ana Pacheco  
Edard L. Pope  
Patricia Priest  
Cecily Ramos  
Colin Ricketts  
Zoila Rivera  
Von Smith  
Leonardo Vital  
Alexander Williams  
Abeer Zayyad

## Second Grade

Jeanette Almazon  
Christy Banda  
Robert Dowdell  
Yorane Garcia  
Casey Gilbert  
Tranquilla Golden  
Glen Jackson  
Wayne Johnson III  
Daniel Kirchman  
Stephanie Kirchman  
Michael Korbly  
Ana Martinez  
Renery Mondragon  
April Moseley  
Elizabeth Perez  
Amanda Prescott

## Hiba Ramahi

Kalyn Rayburn  
Nicole Ricketts  
Andres Rodriguez  
Veronica Rodriguez  
Christina Ruiz  
Theresa Ruiz  
Dalal Shalbi  
Laquettie Smith  
Javarius Smith  
Miguel Velasco  
Luke Woodham  
Jamshia Worthing  
Mohammed Yaghnam

## Third Grade

Yesenia Acosta  
Josie Almazon  
Danielle Beavers  
Kevin Cosentino  
Dallas Dyer  
Rene Edwards  
Herminda Hernandez  
Travonte Joudy  
Karen Lopez  
Magaly Manzano  
Angel Nunez  
Joseph Samara  
Sabah Shatara  
Jenkerria Slaughter  
Shalonda Williams  
David Woodham  
Courtnee Wright

## Fourth Grade

George Baez  
Jomisha Baker  
Ossie Battle  
Fre'Keshia Davis  
Isis DeHitt  
Autumn Doney  
Runterrea Eason  
Estela Garcia  
April Moseley  
Elizabeth Perez  
Amanda Prescott

## Guadalupe Hernandez

Maycoll Hurtado  
Lafazz Jackson  
Bibiana Jaimez  
Josiah Johnson  
Kharisia Johnson  
Rhonda Johnson  
Soila Konchellah  
Yolanda Lee  
Amanda Lewis  
Eduardo Lopez  
Thanvia Marshall  
Haley Meeks  
Luisa Mendoza  
Maria Ramos  
Brandon Painter  
Zachary Prescott  
Sara Puente  
Angeliz Ramos  
Jennifer Romagosa  
Maria Roman  
Giovanna Solano  
Martin Trevino  
Naila Yaghnam

## Fifth Grade

Dacian Benjamin  
Johnnie Bryant  
Shanie Burks  
Marcus Crawford  
James Fields  
Larry Griffin  
Jenin Halum  
Christopher Hayward  
Michael Lee  
Valerie Lee  
Marryedy Llauger  
Juan Martina  
Jeanette Mata  
Juliesy Mederos  
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Diana Perez  
Lyanna Salazar  
Julie Vergel

Gove Elementary School designated an  
International Studies magnet

Gove Elementary is pleased to announce that the School Board of Palm Beach County has designated it as an International Studies magnet. The English/Spanish,

two-way immersion program is opened for grades K-3. The comprehensive academic curriculum offers a wide range of innovative, high level classes across the disc-

iplines. Admission will be based on available space and the admission deadline is April 30, 1997. Contact Lori Baker at Gove for student applications at 993-4042.

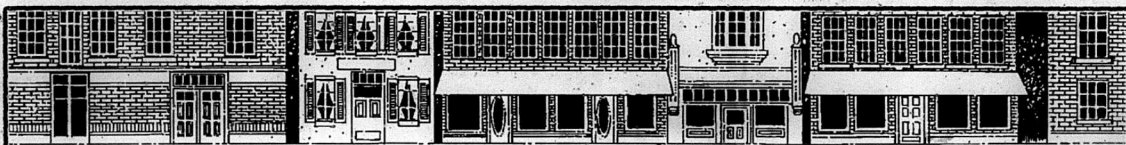
'A Night To Remember' to be held at  
Glades Central Community High School

Friday, April 25, 1997 at 6:30 p.m. The AIDS Coalition of the Glades, Inc. and The Thespian Society of the Glades Central Community High School will sponsor a "Night to Remember Extravaganza." The theme is "Making the Dream of Universal Hope a Reality." This event will begin with a

drama "Living On" being dramatized by the Thespian Society with other entertainment included.

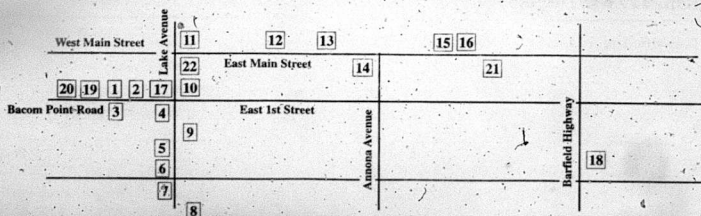
A Chat 'n' Chew Social hour will follow in the Glades Central Courtyard.

The donations are \$10 each from adults and \$5 each for children.

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**Syria Lakier Frost**

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**Rose Lynn McGahee**

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Yvette Graydon Griffin graduates from the University of Florida



**Yvette Graydon Griffin**

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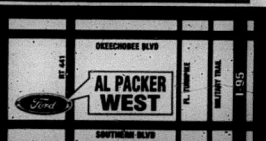
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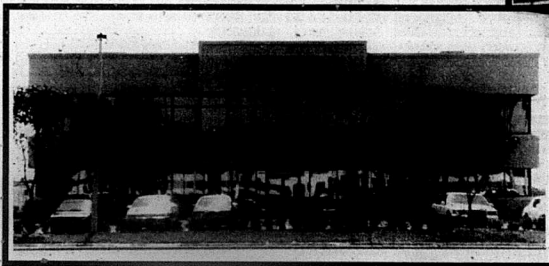
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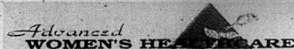


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### Columbia Palms West Hospital Receives Accreditation with Commendation.

Columbia Palms West Hospital has achieved accreditation with commendation from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. This is the highest level of accreditation awarded by the Joint Commission, which is the nation's oldest and largest accrediting body.

Formed in 1951, the Joint Commission is dedicated to improving the quality of the nation's health care through voluntary accreditation. The on-site survey of Columbia Palms West Hospital occurred in September.

"Receiving Accreditation with Commendation is a significant achievement, one that recognizes exemplary performance by Columbia Palms West Hospital," says Dennis S. O'Leary, M.D., President, Joint Commission. "This organization should be commended for its commitment to providing quality care to the people in the community."

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# Celebration of the American Family - The Jubilee shown in photo layout



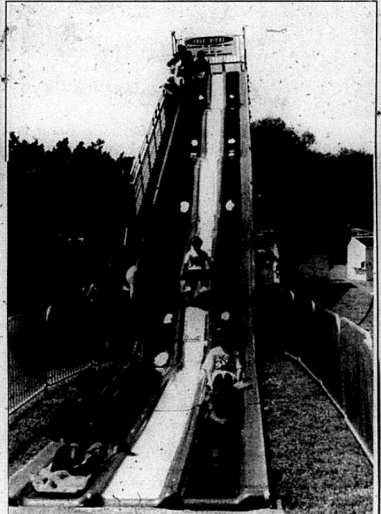
**DENNIS AND DENNIS...**Main Stage entertainer Dennis Lee danced and joked with three-year-old Dennis Mikell during his performance at the Jubilee.



**TRY THIS ONE, DAD...**The Cookie Contest sponsored by Women Involved in Farm Economics (WIFE), was judged by Channel 25 Meteorologist Mike Lyons (with the help of daughter, Devyn), Warren Mah, (R), with the Florida Culinary Arts Institute and Joyce Giffin, director of food services for West Technical Education Center.



**CROWNING THE QUEEN...**Harvest Queen Karen DeCastro is crowned by the 1996 Harvest Queen, Jennifer Griffin.



**THE SUPER SLIDE** was a popular kid's event at the Jubilee. The slide was brought to the Jubilee by Sugar Cane Growers Cooperative and Flo Sun.

Photos by Brenda Bunting, Stephanie Schneider and Yvonne Jones



**HOW LOW CAN YOU GO?...**This little lady struggles to get under the pole to win the limbo contest during children's events at the Jubilee.



**GET OVER HERE AND BUY A SAUSAGE**, says Chamber President Barney Weeks. Secretary Laura Enfinger (L) and Executive Director Danielle Penuel (R) and other chamber board members worked all day in the chamber booth selling dinners and drinks.



The children's choir at the First Baptist Church performed during the Black Gold Gospel Sing last week. Chaired by Robin Waggoner and Cheree Bownes, the event is always a community favorite.



**GO, GO, GO...**So many babies were entered in the baby crawl that two blankets were used for the event.



The 1997 Harvest Queen is Karen DeCastro. Karen is also Glades Day School's Homecoming Queen. She told MC Mike Miller it would be a great honor if she were chosen for the title.



THE 1996 FARM FAMILY OF THE YEAR RODE in the parade. The Pope Family of Pahokee were honored as Farm Family in October by the Western Palm Beach County Farm Bureau.



MILTON CARPENTER...The Agri-Industrial Man of the Year, Milton Carpenter, rode in Saturday's parade.



CONGRESSMAN MARY FOLEY was in Saturday's parade also.



A BIRD'S EYE VIEW of the Jubilee taken from a helicopter doesn't show how crowded the event was earlier in the day. At approximately 2 p.m., the crowd was estimated at 6,500 to 7,000, the second largest crowd in the Jubilee. The only year the crowd was larger was when the Jubilee boasted the World's Largest Salad in the mid-80s.



HE'S THE MAN...Parade MC Dennis Lee points to Entertainment Chair Don Fliehs. The two men shared the duties of announcing the parade.



WINNERS OF THE PIE EATING CONTEST...See their names in the Sun.



BEST MARCHING UNIT...The Wellington Twirlers took first place in the marching unit category in the Parade. The girls also performed on the outdoor stage during the Jubilee.



CARRYING OUT THE THEME...The City of Belle Glade carried out the theme of the Jubilee, which was Celebration of the American Family during the parade. The city sponsors the Jubilee and many city employees donate their time and energy to help make the Jubilee successful.





**CITIZEN OF THE YEAR** Steve Weeks and his wife, Mary are shown in Saturday's parade.



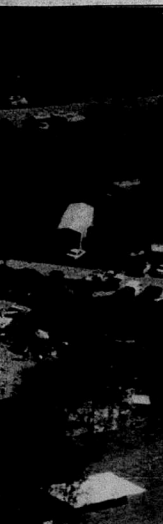
**THIS IS MESSY...** Jermaine Nary, 9, prefers eating his pudding with a spoon. Jermaine took second place in the pie eating contest.



**PROUD MAMAS...** Winners of the baby crawl contest are shown with their proud mothers. See their names in the A section of this week's edition of The Sun.



**DON'T DROP IT...** Concentration was required in the egg and spoon event. Kim Korbly was in charge of the organized children's activities and Angee Lohmann handled the overall children's activities.



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**TEAMKIDS FROM FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH** took first place in the Best Overall float category in the Black Gold Jubilee Parade.



**KELLY TEETS DISPLAYS** "The Treehouse" which won a second place ribbon in the Nature and Wildlife category in the photography contest sponsored by First Union Bank.



**THE MULTI-TALENTED DUTTON FAMILY** from Provo, Utah were the headline performers at Saturday's Black Gold Jubilee.



**COOKIES AND LEMONADE** were sold by the Dolly Hand Cultrul Arts Center. From left are Dolly Hand, Helen Franke and Leigh Woodham.

## Despite chilly weather, hundreds turn out for the Black Gold Jubilee 5K Run/Walk

Despite the unusually chilly weather, the Black Gold Jubilee's 5K Run/Walk proved to be a huge success and the kick off for the 1997 Black Jubilee. Some 276 runners and walkers registered for the race that started at the Belle Glade Marina and went down Lake Road. At 7:30 the racers lined up and the shotgun blasted the start.

The winners for the 5K Run are as follows:

**Overall Winners:**  
Male: James Vickers  
Female: Anita Perkins

### (Ages 14 & under)

**Male:** Brandon West - 1st  
Steven Senias - 2nd  
Adam Dierks - 3rd  
**Female:** Anita Perkins - 1st  
Soila Konchellah - 2nd  
Geneeka Morris - 3rd

### (Ages 15-20)

**Male:** Ronnie Frapp - 1st  
Parker Altman - 2nd  
Jonathan Lively - 3rd  
**Female:** Lindsay Crews - 1st  
Monica Schmidt - 2nd  
No Third Place

### (Ages 21-30)

**Male:** James Vickers - 1st  
Will Weeks - 2nd  
Buddy Honeycutt - 3rd  
**Female:** Jennifer Eddy - 1st  
No Second or Third Place

### (Ages 31-40)

**Male:** Cleofas Yzaguirre - 2nd  
Jimmy Salado - 2nd  
Craig Dobson - 3rd  
**Female:** Terri Branch - 1st  
Susan Willis - 2nd  
Derby West - 3rd

### (Ages 41-55)

**Male:** Larry West - 1st  
Armando Yzaguirre - 2nd  
Wayne Boynton - 3rd  
**Female:** Roslyn Craig - 1st  
Barbara Schlechter - 2nd  
No Third Place

### (Ages 55+)

**Male:** Floyd Romack - 1st  
No Second or Third Place  
**Female:** No Entrants

The winners for the 5K Walk are as follows:

**Overall Winners:**  
Male: Romy Alvarez  
Female: Darinda Redish

### (Ages 14 & Under)

**Male:** Jeff Woodham - 1st  
Jonathan Rice - 2nd  
No Third Place  
**Female:** Kristine Sanchez - 1st  
Peggy Altman - 2nd  
Cristina Rionda - 3rd

### (Ages 15-20)

**Male:** Larry Coonfar - 1st  
Jimmy Wilkinson - 2nd  
Stewart Harrington - 3rd  
**Female:** Kellie Waldon - 1st  
Jennifer Griffin - 2nd  
Donna Dixon - 3rd

### (Ages 21-30)

**Male:** Paul Slonaker - 1st  
Elvis Ruiz - 2nd  
Michael Champion - 3rd  
**Female:** Maria Rodriguez - 1st  
Carmen DeLeon - 2nd  
Teresa Ruiz - 3rd

### (Ages 31-40)

**Male:** Hugo Matos - 1st  
Paul Orsenigo - 2nd  
Steve Rice - 3rd  
**Female:** Darinda Redish - 1st  
Patti Waldon - 2nd  
Cheryl Burns - 3rd

### (Ages 41-55)

**Male:** Romy Alvarez - 1st  
David Rimes - 2nd  
Gary Crews - 3rd  
**Female:** Jacqueline McKinstry - 1st  
Angeline Folston - 2nd  
Laura Rimes - 3rd

### (Ages 55+)

**Male:** Kenneth Kutz - 1st  
John Baker - 2nd  
Harley Hollingsworth - 3rd  
**Female:** Helen Franke - 1st  
Zolla Lopez - 2nd  
Joanne Royal - 3rd

The group with the largest number of participants was Glades Day School and the Business/Organization with the highest percentage of workers/members was Smith Barney, Inc.

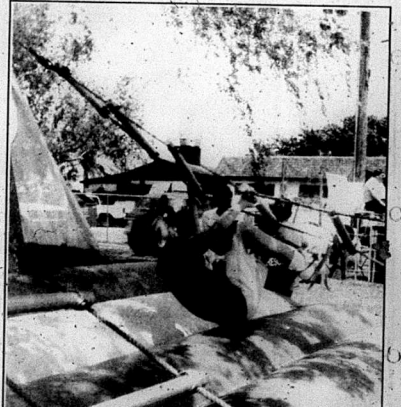
When Chairperson of the Jubilee 5K Walk/Run Dolly Hand was asked how she felt the race went, she replied, "I am very gratified with the turn out for the walk/run. It was cold but people turned out and I believe it showed a lot of spirit on the part of the participants."



**GET READY! GET SET! GO...** These runners and walkers in the 1997 Black Gold Jubilee 5K Run/Walk braved the cold weather and early 7:30 a.m. start-off time to participate in the race.



**BLACK GOLD WAS A BLAST...** These children put aside socializing, eating, and watching the Jubilee's wonderful entertainment to try their hand at Skee Ball.



**WHOAL...** This youngster lets the famous rope ladder get the best of him in his attempt to win a prize at Black Gold.



**WOWING THE CROWD...** 1995 Harvest Queen Emily Cavine sang at the 1997 Harvest Queen pageant.



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